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Award

Case No. 88037.D

Dear .

The Board of Ethics has reviewed your request to determine whether Police Officer can accept the offered by the This award is presented monthly to three Chicago area people who in the opinion of the Bureau "most personify the welcome image* the Bureau wishes displayed to Chicago area visitors. itself consists of hotel accommodations, dinner, and souvenir tickets to caps and jackets, the total value of which is approximately \$300. We conclude that the acceptance of this award by Officer permissible under the Ethics Ordinance (Chapter 26.2 of the Municipal Code).

Section 26.2-4 of the Ethics Ordinance places several restrictions on the acceptance of gifts with a value of \$50 or more. However, paragraph (d) of this section specifically sanctions the acceptance of awards "publicly presented in recognition of public service." The Award qualifies as such an award, and therefore permissible under the Ethics Ordinance.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Board of Ethics at 744-9660.

Sincerely,

Chairman

